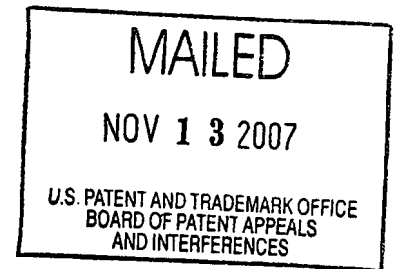


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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES



Ex parte: JASON HOWARD, YATIN HOSKOTE
AND SRIRAM VANGAL

Application No. 10/071,373

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on October 31, 2007. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

APPEAL BRIEF

Appellant filed an Appeal Brief January 12, 2007, in response to the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief mailed December 11, 2006. There is no indication on the record that the above Appeal Brief acknowledged by the Examiner. A written communication notifying appellant of the Examiner's consideration of the above Appeal Brief is required.

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CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner to:

- 1) acknowledge and consider the Appeal Brief on a PTOI-90;
- 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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